

Good afternoon Chairs, Leaders and Members of the Commerce Committee,

My name is Christopher Gessay and I am the President of Accu-Rite Tool & Mfg Co located in Tolland, CT. We are a manufacturing of precision aerospace components. I am writing to show my support on the bills detailed below. Our future depends on the next generation of qualified machinists and engineers. All of these proposed Bills have a direct impact on the future of manufacturing in CT.

- [SB-854](#) to ensure high schools get “good grades” from the state for sending kids into manufacturing careers and other training alternatives besides enrolling in college.
- [SB-855](#) to establish a cabinet-level “secretary of manufacturing” to ensure strategic and state-wide coordination, collaboration and partnership among the many public private and non-profit entities currently acting in “silos” with no one person being responsible for holistic, effective outcomes; and
- [SB-856](#) to ensure a greater role for the manufacturing community in evaluating the need and effectiveness of state policies and investments in education, technology and other programs designed to help Connecticut manufacturers.

I appreciate any support you can provide to manufacturers in Connecticut.

Best Regards,  
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